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House Resolution 286

By: Representatives Morgan of the 39th, Brooks of the 63rd, Thomas of the 55th, Abdul-Salaam of the 74th, Orrock of the 58th, and others

A RESOLUTION

- 1 Commending Larry Platt for his priceless and immeasurable contributions to society; and for
- 2 other purposes.
- 3 WHEREAS, for the past 40 years, Larry Platt has given of himself in service to the people
- 4 of the City of Atlanta, the State of Georgia, and the nation; and
- 5 WHEREAS, Larry Platt merits the highest recognition for his many valuable contributions
- 6 to the Civil Rights Movement and his dedication to the struggle for equality and human
- 7 rights; and
- 8 WHEREAS, beginning in 1963, Larry Platt worked diligently with the Student Non-Violent
- 9 Coordinating Committee (SNCC), which was established to help organize student sit-ins and
- 10 to fight segregation in restaurants and other public places; and
- 11 WHEREAS, Larry Platt, a student of the late Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., experienced raw
- 12 violence when he was beaten while attempting to cross the Edmund Pettus Bridge in the
- 13 historic march from Selma to Montgomery on Bloody Sunday; and
- 14 WHEREAS, Larry Platt's leadership and dedication was again clearly reflected in his faithful
- and loyal commitment to the United Youth Adult Conference search efforts, which organized
- volunteers to search for missing and murdered children in the Metropolitan Atlanta area; and
- 17 WHEREAS, September 4, 2001, was proclaimed "Larry Platt Day" in the City of Atlanta,
- and it is highly fitting and proper that this body recognize the significant contributions of this
- 19 esteemed man.
- 20 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
- 21 the members of this body join in commending Larry Platt for his great energy and

- 1 commitment to equality and the protection of the innocent and for his outstanding service to
- 2 the Atlanta community and the citizens of Georgia.
- 3 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
- 4 and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to Mr. Larry Platt.